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## CENTRAL LIBRARY HOSTS ASIAN AMERICAN BOOK DISCUSSION SERIES

First of two Sessions Features "Bone" by Fae Myenne Ng

SAN DIEGO – The San Diego Public Library is proud to announce an Asian Pacific American Heritage Month book discussion series. This inaugural year, the focus will be placed on Fae Myenne Ng's novel, *Bone*, and Lê Thi Diem Thúy's *The Gangster We Are all Looking For*. Dr. Lisa Lowe, an Asian American literature professor at UCSD, will facilitate the discussions, which take place at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, May 3 and Monday, May 24 respectively, in the Wangenheim Room of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego.

*Bone* is a profoundly moving and critically acclaimed novel in which Fae Myenne Ng takes readers into the hidden heart of San Francisco's Chinatown, to a world of family secrets, hidden shames, and the lost bones of a "paper father." The author's portrait of the Leong family's everyday heroism has made *Bone* an immediate classic of contemporary American life.

The Asian American Book Discussion is the second installment of the Library's *American Book Discussion Series*, allowing a brief exploration of literary works that demonstrate our shared experiences; the importance of such works is evident. Look for a continuation of the series, which also includes literature about and by American Indians, Latino and African Americans, women and, still, others who have created this history of America, throughout the year.

Read the books and take advantage of this unique opportunity to read and discuss the works with a scholar. Library card holders may pick up copies of the book at the first floor reference desk of the Central Library or place "holds" on the titles at any of our facilities or online with their library account and PIN to have them sent to a San Diego Public Library branch.

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